

# Weekly Newsletter



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## **Last day of school – 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

Children are entitled to be collected from 2:00 pm, although we will continue to supervise any children who are not able to be collected until the usual pick up time of 3:15 pm.

We would like to wish everybody a happy and safe holiday while we enjoy the weather and this year's successes. Please note there will be no newsletter next week.

## **Back to school**

Although the school term in September resumes on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Thursday and Friday are staff training days and so the children return to school on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> September.

## **Leavers' Assembly**

On Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> July we will be congratulating children in Year 6 for their achievements at Holly Trees. Families are welcome to attend and I suggest arriving at 1:45 pm so that we can make a prompt 2:00 pm start.

## **Year 6**

Well done to Year 6 for their fundraising this term which will go to the school in Kenya. The visit to the theatre yesterday was enjoyed by everybody and the children's behaviour was exemplary.

## **Mathletics**

We have invested in a new mental maths strategy called Mathletics. This will enable children to play games against people from all over the world and do their mental maths homework online. The software will work on computers or tablets, but should children not have Internet access at home, Maths Club will provide them with the opportunity to do so in school. Log in details have been given to the children today so that they can use it over the summer holiday.

## **Holly Trees Summer Camp**

There are still some places available at our Summer Camp. It will be taking place week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> August from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. A range of sports are being offered, including football, rounders, tag-rugby, netball, kwik-cricket, athletics, basketball, hockey, volleyball and ultimate frisbee. Please note that places are limited and are running out quickly. Payments must be made online and forms dropped into the office.

## **Lola Webb**

One of our former pupils, Lola Webb, who is currently a Year 7 pupil at Becket Keys has been awarded the governors' prize for achievement out of 150 pupils in the school. We are very proud of her continued excellence.

## **Sports Kit**

Please return any of the school's sports kit your child may have at home before the end of term, including team kits e.g. football, basketball. Many thanks.

## **Owl Team Non Uniform Day**

Tawny Owls will have a non-uniform day on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> July.

## **PE Kits**

PE kits are not needed in school next week, apart from members of Dance Club.

## **EYFS – your junk is our treasure!**

We are in the process of redeveloping our outside area, including our mud kitchen. Could you help us build up our collection? We are asking for donations of – twigs, cut logs, shells, pebbles, tyres, crates, cones, old saucepans/frying pans/bowls/plastic or wooden cooking utensils/jugs (obviously no knives), steering wheel, ship's wheel, wicker baskets, clean guttering and cable reels. Thank you very much.

## **Lost Property**

Please make sure you check lost property before the end of term as it will all be disposed of before the next school year.

## **Menu**

Week 1 of the menu - please see the website for the new summer menus.

## **Letters home**

13<sup>th</sup> – Y6 theatre trip details

## **Forthcoming dates**

20<sup>th</sup> July – Owl team non-uniform day

21<sup>st</sup> July – Leavers' assembly at 2:00 pm

22<sup>nd</sup> July – Last day of summer term (children may be collected from 2:00 pm)

Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> September – children return to school

## **Attendance – 97% target**

Congratulations to Birch, Elder, Elm, Holly, Larch, Maple and Sycamore for having over 97% attendance since the start of the academic year (September).

## **Congratulations**

**Gold Certificates** went to Tom Jefferies, Bradley Holden, Jamie Empson, Adam Williams, Reggie Green, Taya Partis-Ford and Charley Wright

**Golden Owl Badges** went to Lola Callaby and Adam Williams (his 2<sup>nd</sup> one!).